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AGENDA ITEM: 7a

TO: MEMBERS OF THE INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

- I. SUBJECT:** AIM Spring Fed Pool
- II. PROGRAM:** Alternative Investment Management (AIM) Program
- III. RECOMMENDATION:** Information Only
- IV. ANALYSIS:**

In June of 2001, the AIM Unit established a spring fed pool of consultants to assist Staff with the management and oversight of the Program. Since that time, the pool has been modified to include new consultants as necessary. The contracts for the consultants expire on June 30, 2006. As a result, Staff plans to begin a new RFP process in November 2005. It is expected that a new pool of consultants will be selected and new contracts will be in place by June 30, 2006.

As previously reported to the Investment Committee, Pension Consulting Alliance is developing a Strategic Review of the AIM Program. The Review, which is expected to be presented at the October 2005 Investment Committee meeting, will include an overview of the AIM Unit's use of consultants. Establishment of the new spring fed pool will reflect the Investment Committee's decisions regarding said review.

V. STRATEGIC PLAN:

Goal IV: Assure that sufficient funds are available, first, to pay benefits and, second, to minimize and stabilize employer contributions.

VI. RESULTS/COSTS:

Approval of this agenda item would result in no increased cost. All services would be provided within the AIM budget.

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